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SENATE COMMITTEE URGES REAGAN DRAFT PLAN FOR CIA DOMESTIC INfiltrATION  
EDS: HOUSE JUDICIARY SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING BEGINS 9:30  
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WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate Intelligence Committee

PRESIDENT REAGAN TO DROP A PLAN TO ALLOW CIA INFILTRATION OF DOMESTIC GROUPS AND TO MAKE FOUR OR FIVE OTHER CHANGES IN PROPOSED NEW RULES FOR U.S. INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN BARRY M. GOLDWATER, R-Ariz., SAID THE PANEL ENDORSED MUCH OF THE DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL ORDER TUESDAY BUT CALLED ON REAGAN TO RETAIN THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION'S RULE THAT ALMOST COMPLETELY BARS CIA PENETRATION OF U.S. GROUPS.

SEN. DAVID DURENBERGER, R-Minn., SAID THE COMMITTEE AGREED TO RECOMMEND FIVE OR SIX CHANGES IN THE REAGAN DRAFT, MOSTLY TO CLARIFY SECTIONS "THAT, IN LACKING CLARITY, OPENED UP THE PRESUMPTION OF GREATER ACCESS TO CIVIL LIBERTIES VIOLATIONS BY THE CIA." HE WOULD NOT ELABORATE BUT ADDED THAT THE COMMITTEE HOPED TO COMPLETE ITS REVIEW OF THE DRAFT ORDER THIS WEEK.

MEANWHILE, A HOUSE JUDICIARY SUBCOMMITTEE ON CIVIL AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS PLANNED THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE REAGAN DRAFT ORDER TODAY.

REP. DON EDWARDS, D-Calif., THE SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, SAID THE HEARING WILL FOCUS ON THE DRAFT'S PROPOSED ELIMINATION OF RULES ON COLLECTING INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. CITIZENS AND ON THE DROPPING OF STANDARDS GUIDING CIA DOMESTIC ACTIVITIES.

EDWARDS SAID DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE SHOULD REMAIN THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FBI. "THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THE FBI HAS NOT BEEN DOING ITS JOB," HE SAID BEFORE THE HEARING.

THE REAGAN DRAFT WOULD GIVE THE CIA AUTHORITY, FOR THE FIRST TIME, TO INFILTRATE AND SECRETLY TRY TO INFLUENCE THE ACTIVITY OF DOMESTIC GROUPS.

INFILTRATION COULD BE AUTHORIZED "FOR ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE" AS DETERMINED BY THE CIA CHIEF OR HIS DESIGNEE. ATTEMPTS TO INFLUENCE

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